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COUNTY DAY

Thursday, April 22, twenty-two students and chaperones attended County Day at the Anoka County Government Center. The students were from Anoka, Andover and Fridley.

The morning started with a welcome from County Administrator Terry Johnson, followed by Commissioners Rhonda Sivarajah, Robyn West and Dennis Berg. Next, County Attorney Robert Johnson and Sheriff Bruce Andersohn spoke. Each speaker answered questions from the students.

The Jail was the next area to visit. This is always an interesting part and a areal eye-opener for the students.

Following the tour, everyone was invited to the Anoka Post home for lunch. A special "Thank You" to Tanya and Denise for providing the lunch and to all the ladies that bought bars and cookies. Also, thank you to kitchen help, Betty Erickson, Doris Nunnelee and Ann Larson. Transportation for the students was provided by Barb Fechner, Sandy Phillips, Cliff Newman and Kathy Zwerdling.

Kathy Zwerdling – County Day Coordinator

ADJUTANT'S NOTES

by Gary Munkholm

We all wish Commander Werbowski well on his recent illness and ask that you keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

The general membership gave a hearty round of applause to Frank Menter for organizing our Legion members and volunteers in replacing all of clubs ceiling lights and ballasts. The 459 new lights and 171 new ballasts are not only more energy efficient but the city of Anoka offers a rebate program to install them.

Don't forget general elections are being held at the next general membership meeting. The nominating committee announced a slate of candidates at the last general membership meeting and a reminder that nominations can also be made from the floor.

Cliff Newman presented the Post with a plaque from Andover High School for having the top Boys State representative from that school.

Gambling manager Paul Adler presented the following list of donations which were approved by the general membership:

City of Anoka for July 4th events	$ 500
American Legion School Award T.Collentine	1,000
American Legion School Award E. Moss	1,000
Boy Scout Troop 233 for equipment	200
School Patrol Equipment	250
Department Commanders project	100
10th District Commanders project	100
Assist needy Veterans or Families	1,500
Emergency Money	500

WWI Exhibit Now at the Anoka County Historical Society www.ac-hs.org

POST HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT

Call Frank Menter 763-421-7277 for an appointment to pick up any equipment:

Only members of our Post, Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion and their respective families will be allowed use of our hospital equipment.
Anyone else wanting to use the equipment will have to have a member of the Post 102 family serve as their sponsor.

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY DATES into THE AMERICAN LEGION

Persian Gulf War	August 2, 1990 to date of cessation
Panama	December 20, 1989 to January 31, 1990
Grenada/Lebanon	August 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984
Vietnam War	February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975
Korean War	June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955
World War II	December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946
World War I	April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918

Post 102 extends sincere sympathy to the families of

RAYMOND PIPENHAGEN
Ray was a 46 year member of The American Legion and a World War II Veteran

EUGENE L. GUSTAFSON
Eugene was a 11 year member of The American Legion and a Korean War Veteran

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AUXILIARY UNIT 102

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You are eligible to join the Auxiliary if your veteran relative is a current member of The American Legion; or if deceased, had served during the eligibility dates of one of eight war eras.

☐ Mother ☐ Grandmother
☐ Wife ☐ Great-Granddaughter
☐ Sister ☐ Self
☐ Daughter (step-relative also apply)
☐ Granddaughter

Ask any Auxiliary Member. They will be happy to sign you up.

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Commander's Column
Gregg Werbowski

Another month past us already and here we are, still hanging in there.

We hosted Dept. Commander Al Davis testimonial. It was very entertaining. Thanks to all the behind the scenes people that jumped in and helped – you know who you are.

Now its going into the summer and we're heading into convention time, District and State, so we will be getting busy for those.

Remember, lets support the Club and see all of you there.

Remember: Let's Soar Like An Eagle.

Additions to our SAL
Wednesday Dinner Specials include:

June 2 & 16
Prime Rib ~ $9.50

June 19 & 23
Country Fried Steak ~ $8.00

June 30
Surprise

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

-Matt Berens

Hi everyone, the big news I have to report is the American Legion Riders of Anoka are having their **Second Annual Hog Roast on Saturday June 5th, starting at noon, and serving until 4 pm.** Tickets will be $8 in advance, and $10 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the pull tab booth at the Post. We will be having a **silent auction ending at 4 pm, and selling our newly designed Anoka Legion Riders T-shirts! Be the first to have one!** We will also have special 10th District Legion Riders shirts, Legion Riders mouse pads, and other stuff for sale at the door.

Remember, the **A.L.R. events schedule is now available** in a printable format on the web site, www.anokalegion.org. Just click on AL Riders on the left side, and then click on A.L.R. Events in the top center.

And remember, if you or someone you know belong to the Legion Family, and have a motorcycle larger tan 350cc's we'd love to see you out on the road with us supporting Veterans all over Minnesota. Call me at 763-257-6251. Ride Safe!

S.A.L. NEWS
Commander Charlie Heemer
Whatever it Takes

We gave donations of $50 to Meals on Wheels and $25 to the Anoka Auxiliary Poppy project.

The SAL Detachment convention will be held at Legionville in Brainerd the 25th – 27th of June.

Nominations and elections for 2011 Officers will take place at our next meeting on June 1st. Candidates: Commander - Al Amundson, Vice Commander – Charlie Heemer and Bill Knight, and Treasurer – Cliff Newman. Bill and Cliff are both dual members.

I would like to say thank you to the officers and members who supported me this past year. Also to volunteers Marianne Voit, Laura Blue, Joyce Ulmer, Carol Hathaway, Lynette Pavin and Mindy who come out on Wednesday nights to help with the dinners. It was a fun and enjoyable year.

Have a safe and fun summer!

2010 Junior Legion Baseball Schedule

	Home	Visitor	
June 10	Champlin	Anoka	6:15 pm
June 12	Quad Wayzata, Excelsior, Osseo - Castle Field		
June 15	**Anoka**	**Armstrong**	**7:30 pm**
June 16	**Anoka**	**Centennial**	**7:30 pm**
June 18-20	Red Haddox Tourney - Bloomington		
June 22	**Anoka**	**Tri City**	**7:30 pm**
June 23	Osseo	Anoka	6:15 pm
June 24	Andover	Anoka	6:15 pm
June 29	Fridley	Anoka	6:15 pm
June 30	Armstrong	Anoka	6:15 pm
June 25	Centennial	Anoka	6:15 pm
June 29	**Anoka**	**Fridley**	**7:30 pm**
June 30	**Anoka**	**Spring Lake Park**	**7:30 pm**
July 1	Maple Grove	Anoka	6:15 pm
July 2,3,5	Apple Valley Firecracker - Apple Valley		
July 6	**Anoka**	**Cooper**	**7:30 pm**
July 7	Blaine	Anoka	7:30 pm
July 8	**Anoka**	**Coon Rapids**	**7:30 pm**
July 13-16	North Hennepin Playoffs Low seed home		
July 22-25	District 10 Playoffs - Minnetonka/Eden Prairie		
7/29 – 8/1	State Tournament - Hibbing		
August 5-9	Central Plains Regional - Blue Springs, MO		
August 5-9	Great Lakes Regional - Mattoon, IL		
August 13-17	World Series - Spokane, WA		

Girls Staters Selected

Amber – Megan – Paula

The 2010 Girls Staters were introduced at the Jr./Sr. Potluck held May 4th. They are Megan Eide, Amber Eisenbraun and Paula Eisenbraun. Their alternates are Sidney Bell and Janine Schug. A fourth girl, Elizabeth Blakemore, was also selected from Anoka High School and is sponsored by LuVerne Unit 123.

The girls introduced themselves and told of some highlights of attending County Day. These girls are very busy with school and community activities, so we are very appreciative of them coming to our dinner/meeting. They all are looking forward to attending Girls State in June.

Kathy Zwerdling - Girls State Chairman

Final 2010 Auxiliary Report
Senior & Junior Membership – 376

Edward B. Cutter Unit 102 reached **GOAL** (374) ON March 23 and **ALL TIME HIGH** (376) on April 7. Thanks to the 310 seniors and 48 juniors who renewed their membership; and to the 13 new and 2 transfer seniors and 3 new junior members listed below.

Seniors:

Helen Barkuloo (trans/Aitkin - 41 yrs)		Penny Benthin
Lea Blair	Marge Bradley	Sharon Cochran
Tracy Feist	Judy Jensen (trans/Col. H. - 32 yrs)	
Christine Juarez	Brenda Larson	Tina Lee
Miranda Oelschlager	Linda Olsen	Margaret Patrick
Kathryn Trettel	Carol Turnquist	

Juniors:

Savanna Juarez	Sophia Knight	Dallas Stockdale

Congratulaions to the 4 Juniors (and their AL & ALA member relative) who graduated to senior membership (age 18):

Grace Clark	(Great-grandfather)
Meaghan Hunt	(Mom Patty - Grandpa Buster Talbot)
Lisa Jordan	(Grandma Harriet Ridge - Grandpa Herm)
Jessica LaTuff	(Grandpa Buster LaTuff)

From June 2009 to this date, Unit 102 has lost the following members:

Della McArdle Past Unit President	July 7, 2009	52 year member
Rae Griffin Gold Star Mother	July 24, 2009	2 year member
Netha Feist Past Unit Pres., Past 10th District Pres.	Dec. 5, 2009	61 year member
Margaret Lisle Gold Star Mother	Jan. 26, 2010	12 year member
Dawn Gilbert	May 4, 2010	2 year member

Changes from the National American Legion Auxiliary

The VIM (very important member) program will now be the PUFL (paid up for life) program – same as The American Legion.

AND

A price increase in the cost of VIM-PUFL (rates not changed since 1997) will be effective July 1, 2010.

Cost of a single payment is calculated by annual dues (Anoka senior dues – $20.00) and age at last birthday.

AGE	COST	AGE	COST
18-24	$ 729	50-59	$ 481
25-29	695	60-69	359
30-39	653	70-79	232
40-49	580	80 & over	152

Master Card, Visa, Check or Money Order accepted. (Call me for Junior member rates.)

The application and payment must be into Department Office by June 30, 2010.

If interested, call me at 763-421-4562 – I will get an application to you – it must be signed by Unit Secretary Jan.

This may be your last chance if you have thought about doing this – who knows what the new rates will be – don't dawdle!

Remember – your application and payment **MUST** be into Department office – signed and mailed by the Unit – by June 30, 2010.

Betty Erickson, Chairman
763-421-4563

President's Column
Darlene Thell

Hello Auxiliary Members,

I would like to begin my column by asking for your prayers for our Commander Gregg; a lot has happened to him in the last few weeks, so I'm asking for a lot of prayers. Thank you.

Another busy month is behind us. I attended our 10th District President Flora Ellefson's Testimonial on April 17th at the Coon Rapids Legion. It was a fun time with a Back to the Fifties theme.

On April 22nd I joined other Legion members, plus Boys and Girls Staters from Anoka, Andover and Fridley for County Day at the Anoka Government Center. We had a tour of the jail and listened to a few speakers including our Anoka County Sheriff Bruce Andersohn. Our Legion provided a wounderful lunch for everyone. Thank you to all who picked up and returned the students from their schools and for the members who helped with the lunch.

On April 24 I attended the testimonial for Al Davis, which was held at our Legion. Thank you to all who helped set up and clean up after the evening was over. It was another fun event attended by many. We were honored to have Past National Commander Bruce Thiesen of California speak to us.

On April 29, Sandy Phillips and I joined Cathy Newman in bringing donated items to the St. Cloud VA Hospital. Thank you to all who donated items, and a special thank you to Karen Orr for making many bibs for the vets. Sandy took us to the Hospice area in the hospital that was her project when she was the 10th District President.

We had our annual May Pot Luck Mother, Daughter and Granddaughter Dinner on May 4th. Kathy Zwerdling introduced the Girls Staters. We're very proud of them. It was great seeing a lot of families enjoying the evening together. Juniors Brooke and Lea Newman said the prayer before our meal.

My dinner will be on Wednesday June 9th at our Legion. There will be social time at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Hope to see lots of members there.

President Darlene's Dinner
Wed., June 9 – 6:30 pm – Anoka Post

Social 6:30 pm Dinner 7:00 pm. All Unit 102 members are invited to attend.

SAL Wednesday Night Menu
Steak (8 oz) – Shrimp (5) $7.50
Country Fried Steak (8 oz) $8.00
Steak & Shrimp $10.00
All meals include Potato, Roll & Salad

Reservations and meal choice MUST be made by Tuesday, June 1. Call Barb Fechner at 763-427-4346 or Betty Erickson at 763-421-4562.

You may pay at the Aux. meeting or at the dinner – BUT if you are unable to attend after you have made your reservation and meal choice – you MUST call Barb or Betty by Mon. June 7.

You are responsible for the cost of your meal if you made a reservation and do not attend or call by the 7th.

JAN'S JOTTINGS

by Jan Reiter

The regular meeting of Edward B. Cutter American Legion Auxiliary was held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 7:00 pm. Following the Mother-Daughter pot luck dinner and the Girls Staters spoke, President Darlene call the meeting to order. Charlie Heemer, SAL Commander presented a check of $25 to be put towards a Poppy Card.

Field Service: Lynette handed out a flyer that told us what field service is all about: If a volunteer works with a veteran and whether they have taken the orientation or not, the hours ARE counted as field service hours. They can shop with or for them, take them to church, and play games or cards, anything you do for or with a veteran counts for this.

Fund Raising: Lenora Root collected our flower orders and will give us a summary next month; Nancy Bever and daughters sold 70 plants.

Juniors: Sue Nunnelee reported that one junior went to the Junior conference in Waite Park. They had a couple of entries from Anoka. Next years conference will be in the 7th District. The juniors will participate on Poppy Day and help set up flags on Memorial Day. Legionville will have a Junior Fun weekend on July 30 – Aug. 1 to meet other juniors and activities.

Nominating: Nominated and elected: Pres. – Darlene Thell, 1st. Vice Pres. – Norah Wyman, 2nd Vice Pres. – Deb Mayasich, Treasurer – Jeanene Hays, Sgt.-at-Arms – Mary Hamilton, Executive Board – Lynette Pavin and Joyce Jelle.

Past President's Parley: Karen Orr reported that the Gold Star Mother Dinner will be Saturday, June 19th at Mavericks at 11:30 am. She is doing a 90 year history of the Unit and if anyone has some events or information of the past 90 years please let her know.

VA&R: Cathy Newman reported that she, Pres. Darlene and Sandy Phillips went to deliver bibs and other items at the St. Cloud Medical Center. They can use clay and plastic pots, also decks of cards. She reminded us that if we knit or crochet you can make some slippers this summer for the VA Medical Centers. Call Cathy Newman for the directions.

Past Presidents Gold Star Luncheon

All past Presidents and 50+ year members are invited to attend the annual get-together to honor our Units Gold Star Mothers. It will be held on **Saturday, June 19th at Mavericks**, (formerly Botz Landing – West River Road – Champlin, we were there last year).

We will gather at the restaurant at **11:30** and can order off the menu. They do accept credit cards or cash but no checks.

Please **call Karen at 763-427-1248 or Lenora at 763-427-1744 to make reservatiaons or if you would like a ride.** You can also sign up at our June 1st Auxiliary meeting. Hope to see all of you there for this fun event!

Credits: Anoka historical items from past years of the Fred Moore Middle School Calendar Club.

JUNE 2010

Jr. Legion Baseball Home Games 7:30 pm

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Concerts In The Park **Sunday evenings 7:00 pm** George Green Park June 13 – Sister Rooster June 20 – CODA June 27 – Paul Christian		Post General Mem. Election 7:30 pm S.A.L. Mtg. 7:00 pm Auxiliary Meeting Elec. Dept. Delegates 1	SAL Sponsored Dinner 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Stuffed Shrimp $7.50 Steak & Shrimp Combo $10.00 2	**Every Thursday & Friday** **Grill Open 5:00 – 8:30 pm** Bar Bingo 7:00 pm 3	Meat Raffle 5:00 pm Bar Bingo 6:30 pm 4	Legion Riders Hog Roast Silent Auction Riders T-Shirts Noon – 4:00 pm 5
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 3:00 pm 6	*110 years ago* *June 1900:* *2 boys and 10 girls graduate at Anoka High School* 7	*100 years ago* *June 1910:* *A large class of 34 students graduated from Anoka High School* 8	SAL Sponsored Dinner 5:30-7:00 Same as Above Pres. Darlene's Dinner Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo 2:15 pm 9	Bar Bingo 7:00 pm 10	Meat Raffle 5:00 pm Bar Bingo 6:30 pm 11	11-12-13 Father Hennepin Days Champlin Pioneer Days St. Francis 12
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 3:00 pm Girls State 13-19 Bethel College Boys State 13-19 Marshall 13	*80 years ago* *June 16, 1930:* *Ray P. Chase won the Republican nomination for Governor.* Flag Day 14	NEWSPAPER MEETING 7:00 pm 15	SAL Sponsored Dinner 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Stuffed Shrimp $7.50 Steak & Shrimp Combo $10.00 16	Bar Bingo 7:00 pm Installation of Officers 6:30 pm 17	Meat Raffle 5:00 pm Bar Bingo 6:30 pm 18	Past. Pres/Gold Star/ 50 yr. members 11:30 - Mavericks Back to the 50's Car Show Downtown Anoka 19
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 3:00 pm FATHER'S DAY Fly your Flag 20	*70 years ago* *June 1940:* *New beach opens on the fair grounds (Rum River).* 21	House & Ent. Meeting 7:00 pm 22	SAL Sponsored Dinner 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Stuffed Shrimp $7.50 Steak & Shrimp Combo $10.00 23	Bar Bingo 7:00 pm 24	SAL Detachment Convention 25 - 27 Legionville Meat Raffle 5:00 pm Bar Bingo 6:30 pm 25	St. Stephens Summerfest 26
Club Open 12-10 Bar Bingo 3:00 pm 27	*60 years ago* *June 12, 1950:* *Zieg's Barber Shop opens in theater building.* 28	Executive Board Meeting 7:00 pm 29	SAL Sponsored Dinner 5:30-7:00 Steak, Chicken, or Stuffed Shrimp $7.50 Steak & Shrimp Combo $10.00 30	1st Friday Each Month BLOODMOBILE	*80 years ago – June 14, 1930:* *On a Saturday June evening in 1930, two robbers driving a stolen car all the way from Indiana met their match in Anoka's Sheriff U.S. Pratt. Deputies Hanson and Heller joined "Red" in a chase that reached speeds of 70mph and included the exchange of gun fire. The stolen car spun out of control in Champlin. Both men were captured. One had been shot in the back and was taken to Gates Hospital in Anoka. The other captured criminal had head wounds and had to be taken to a hospital in St. Cloud.*	

Coming in July

3	Fireworks - Anoka HS at dusk	14	Aux. Twin Rivers Bingo 2:15 pm Juniors Wanted
4	Mayors Annual Ice Cream Social Geo. Green Park 12 - 4 pm North Suburban Concert Band	22-24 20-25	Department Convention - Rochester Anoka County Fair
6	Post and SAL meetings - no Aux. meeting	20	Fair Flag Raising - 12 noon
10	Riverfest	21-31	Boys Nation – Washington, D.C.